

OVERVIEW

Post adoption services in the state of Michigan are provided through:

- Adoption medical subsidy.
- Community based agencies.
- Adoption support/advocacy organizations.
- Regional post adoption resource centers.

Listings of support groups, trainings and services can be found on the Michigan Adoption Resource Exchange at www.mare.org.

TITLE IV-E ADOPTION INCENTIVES

Section 473A of the Social Security Act provides title IV-E adoption incentive payments to eligible states that increase the number of children adopted in specific circumstances. Any funds for which the state is eligible will be spent on permanency activities, such as:

- Statewide conference for public and contracted agency adoption staff, adoptive advocates, adoptive families, court personnel and professionals to present best practice information and panels to encourage networking and development of improved practices.
- Post adoption educational forums for parents and youth.
- Other adoption specific activities allowable under titles IV-B and IV-E.

MEDICAID

Children who are eligible to receive a title IV-E funded adoption support subsidy are eligible for Medicaid through the adoption subsidy program. Medicaid coverage is available for children eligible for a non-title IV-E funded adoption support subsidy under specific conditions. Eligibility is determined by the adoption subsidy program office. Refer to Adoption Subsidy Manual AAM 230, Medicaid Eligibility for information.

**ADOPTION MEDICAL
SUBSIDY**

The Adoption Medical Subsidy program assists with payments for services for adopted children related to the treatment of physical, mental or emotional conditions that have been certified through the adoption subsidy unit. To determine if a child meets the eligibility criteria for adoption medical subsidy, see AAM 400, Medical Subsidy Eligibility.

Services not covered by Medicaid or private insurance that may be available for eligible children include:

- Medical, surgical and hospital related expenses.
- Prescriptions, medical supplies or laboratory expenses.
- Outpatient counseling.
- Assisted care services.
- Physical care services.
- Behavioral services.
- Temporary out-of-home placement.
- Placement outside the family home.
- Tutoring.
- Travel expenses under specific conditions.
- Speech therapy, physical therapy and/or occupational therapy for pre-school children or during the summer months.
- Specialized treatment summer camps.
- Orthodontic treatment under specific conditions and with cost limits.
- Durable medical equipment.

Refer to AAM 400, Medical Subsidy Eligibility and AAM 640, Post Placement - Use of the Adoption Medical Subsidy Program, for a full description of the program and conditions for payment of services.

**UTILIZING POST-
ADOPTION
SERVICES
THROUGH LOCAL
DHS**

Adoptive parents may request assistance from their local county DHS office or a private agency based on the needs of an adopted child. The process followed should be the same as when working with any family requesting assistance. This may result in opening a case or referring the family to community-based services. In addition to the Post Adoption Resource Centers (PARC), adoptive families are eligible for all programs based on the same factors as non-adoptive families. Referrals to Wraparound, Families First, PARC, and other supportive services should be considered for adoptive families requesting assistance. Adoptive families may also request services directly from PARC.